

MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA COMMON COUNCIL

JANUARY 17, 2017

6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: The Common Council of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: The Pledge to the Flag was recited by those present.

PRAYER: Councilman Berkemeier led those present in prayer.

ROLL CALL: Bob Bridges, Brian Conner, Craig Smith, Brad Berkemeier, and Gary Cameron answered roll call. Antonia Walker, Student Representative, was not present. Also present were Tracy Newhouse, City Attorney, Kate Thurston, *Rushville Republican*, and Shelly Wakefield.

MINUTES: Conner moved to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2017 meeting as presented. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Pavey reported the following:

1. He had a visit yesterday from 2 gentlemen from Japan. Pavey visited with them when he was in Japan. One of the men is the president of the parent company of Intat.
2. Pavey met with Mike Higbee today. He received a copy of the housing report. A copy was given to Councilman Berkemeier to review the numbers.
3. An email was received today from CGS rescheduling a meeting until February 3rd.
4. Weather permitting, we are hoping to have materials delivered and construction started on the Farmers Market on February 1.
5. We had a meeting last week on K to Success.
6. There was a meeting last week on Hwy 3.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT: Clerk-Treasurer Copley said she received the 1872 notice today. Copley said we will need to make some adjustments. She is discussing this with Umbaugh. She will keep Council informed.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Council President Bridges said he attended the 30th anniversary celebration for Rush County Heritage. He was able to visit with Wayne Goodman. Goodman congratulated Rushville for receiving the Stellar designation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Stellar Designation** – There was a coordinating meeting on the 12th. We are adjusting schedules.

- **Amphitheater/Park Board** – Cameron said they have chosen the 6 headline acts. The roll out party will be January 25th with that announcement.
- **Marketing** – Nothing to report.
- **APC/BZA** – Things are going very good.
- **City Center** – Pavey said he sent an email with an update. He had a conference call last Friday with the architect and our attorney.
- **Cherry Street Extension** – There have been phone calls regarding design.
- **Brownfield Grant** – Nothing to report.
- **ECDC** – Nothing to report.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Police – Chief Tucker handed out a report comparing the call volume for 2015-2016.

Saturday there were 5 patrolman candidates that participated in the testing progress. Three of those candidates passed and will move forward with interviews tomorrow. The Board of Works will conduct interviews February 1.

Street – Commissioner Miller handed out a trash and recycle report totals for the year 2016. Trash was up 67.95 ton. Recycle was up 17.38 a ton.

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Trash Options** – Councilman Smith sent out an update today for Council's review. He said we should be ready to vote at the next meeting. He said we will need to purchase stickers for the guys to post on particular items.
2. **Corridor Overlay RMH** – Information has not yet been received.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Transfer Resolution 2017-1** – Cameron moved to approve Transfer Resolution 2017-1. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Rainy Day Transfer 2017-2** – Copley asked that this Resolution be tabled until the adjustments are made on the budget. Berkemeier moved to table. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. **Drainage Permit Fees** – A sample ordinance was distributed for review by Council. Councilman Cameron will work with Newhouse to prepare a suitable fee schedule for the City.
4. **Rushville City Center Update** – Pavey said he has come to the conclusion that we are going backwards. He said he hopes the meeting coming up will change that.
5. **Tax Certificate-Interlocal Agreement on Taxes and Liens** – This should be ready for approval at the next meeting.
6. **Recycling Center Relocation** – Pavey said he has spoken with Carole Yeend and believes the Smiley Avenue is a good place to locate the recycling center. Yeend said the current location will close January 30th. She will send out a press release tomorrow. Yeend said the Smiley Avenue location would need fencing. The County has informed us that they have fencing we can use. The site would be more secure and would have cameras. Yeend said the District will help with expenses. Pavey said this will be a more condensed program than the one behind the jail. The hours will be 8:00-5:00. There is discussion regarding being closed on Mondays but open on Saturdays. This should eliminate a lot of trash. The center will close on January 30 for 1 month. This will give us time to promote recycling with the City.
7. **16th Street Housing Update** – Pavey presented a housing pamphlet with a conceptual plan of 50 acres. This shows a new concept of conservancy housing. We are working to get it more marketable. He will keep Council updated.

CLAIMS APPROVAL AND MONTHLY BANK RECONCILEMENT – Conner moved to approve the claims as presented. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE – None.

ADJOURN: There was no further business to come before Council; Conner moved to adjourn. Smith seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.